

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, formal allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes, with appreciation, that claims 1-9 have been allowed. Applicant has amended claims 1-9 herein in order to improve the form thereof and in a manner which is not believed to materially change the technical scope thereof.

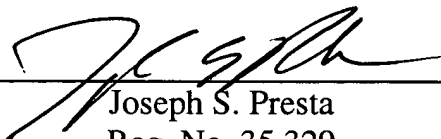
Claim 10 has been rejected under 35 USC 102(e) based on Basel. Claim 10 has been canceled herein without prejudice or disclaimer, in order to enable the remaining claims to pass to issuance without delay.

Applicant believes that this case is now in condition for formal allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions, please feel free to contact that undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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